## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application Of:

Kyoko Ikawa and Tatsuo Horibe

Serial No.: 08/606,226

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Title:

Secondary Battery Power

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Group Art #: 1107

Examiner: Brendan Mee

Docket #: H70338USC1

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

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## CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION APPLICATION

Applicants, Kyoko Ikawa and Tatsuo Horibe, hereby request entry of a Continued Prosecution Application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) of the following application.

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550.00 CH The Applicants hereby request that the Continued Prosecution Application utilize the

file jacket and contents of the prior application, including the specification, drawings, and

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oath or declaration from the prior application, to constitute the new application, and that the new application be assigned the application number of the prior application for identification purposes. Applicants hereby request that the prior application be expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

Applicants hereby request the proposed amendments filed on December 4, 1997 in the prior application be entered in this Continued Prosecution Application and be given full consideration.

Since the specification of the prior application is to be used for prosecuting the new application, Applicants certify that no new matter has been entered in the new application.

Applicants hereby waive confidentiality under 35 U.S.C. § 122 to the extent that any member of the public, who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning either the prior application or this new application, may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning the other application or applications in the file jacket.

This request for filing a Continued Prosecution Application is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. § 120 to every application assigned the application number identified in this request.

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to debit deposit account no. 02-0840 in the amount of \$790.00 for the basic filing fee as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.16 and any additional fees required in association with this filing. The Commissioner is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 02-0840 for any underpayment of fees which may be due in association with this or future filings under 37 CFR §§ 1.16-1.18.

Applicants herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office action dated July 9, 1997 relative to the prior application (filed February 23, 1996) for the final sixth month of the statutory period from December 9, 1997 to January 9, 1998. The Commissioner is authorized to debit deposit account number 02-0840 in the amount of \$550.00 to cover the cost of the extension. The Commissioner is further authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring

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a petition for extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 1-9-98

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**COMMENTS:** 

Attached is a Continued Prosecution Application for the above-

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